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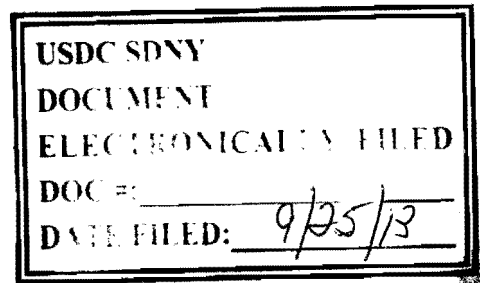
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Via Regular Mail

Hon. Louis L. Stanton, U.S.D.J.  
 United States District Court For The  
 Southern District Of New York  
 500 Pearl Street  
 New York, NY 10007



Re: *Marie Tamara Thomas v. The Hartford Life Insurance Company of America, et al.*  
 Civ. Act. No. 11-cv-1490(LS)  
 SDMA File No. 02489-000122

Dear Judge Stanton:

This office represents the Defendants in the above referenced matter. We are writing to request an extension of the briefing schedule submitted by plaintiff's counsel to the Court on or about August 20, 2013.

The parties are currently engaged in preliminary settlement discussions in an effort to resolve this matter without further intervention from the Court. Therefore, we respectfully request that Your Honor extend the dates set forth in the August 20, 2013 briefing schedule regarding the parties' contemplated motions for summary judgment and adopt the following revised briefing schedule:

- Initial motions due by October 11, 2013;
- Oppositions due by November 11, 2013; and
- Replies due by November 30, 2013.

Plaintiff's counsel consents to this request and this extension does not affect any previously scheduled dates set by the Court. No prior requests for an extension of the August 20, 2013 briefing schedule have been made by the Defendants.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael H. Bernstein".

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cc: Robert J. Bach, Esq.

